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1. GOA CONCURS TRAVEL MOHAMMAD HAKIM, ACTING PRESIDENT DA AFGHANISTAN BANK, TO MEET DECEMBER 1 PROGRAM DATE.

2. HAKIM'S ENGLISH EXCELLENT. HAS VISITED EAST COAST SEVERAL TIMES AND SO WOULD WISH HAVE ENTIRE VISIT TAKE PLACE OTHER AREAS US FOLLOWING SHORT (2-3 DAY) ORIENTATION STOP IN WASHINGTON.

3. SINCE DA AFGHANISTAN BANK FILLS ROLE OF CENTRAL BANK, HAKIM WISHES VISIT FEDERAL RESERVE SYSTEM, PRIVATE BANKING AND FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ALL LOCATED OUTSIDE EAST COAST.

4. CLAIMS HOBBY IS TOURISM AND SIGHTSEEING. WOULD WELCOME VISITS TO NATIONAL PARKS (ESPECIALLY YELLOWSTONE, WEATHER PERMITTING) CITIES SUCH AS NEW ORLEANS, SF, DENVER. WOULD LIKE VISIT SKI RESORT, IF NOT TO SKI AT LEAST VIEW FACILITIES (TIED TO DENVER VISIT PERHAPS). HAKIM STRESSED HE FLEXIBLE AS LONG AS HE SEES AS MUCH OF US AND ITS VARIOUS ASPECTS AS POSSIBLE. HOPES TO VISIT DISNEYLAND.

5. BROTHER STUDYING E-W CENTER, UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII. WISHES END VISIT IN HAWAII, SEEING THE ISLANDS AND VISITING BROTHER (PERHAPS DURING XMAS HOLIDAY). HE WOULD THEN RETURN KABUL VIA JAPAN AND DELHI.

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6. OTHER INTERESTS INCLUDE BOXING (FAVORITE SPORT), MOVIES,
THEATER AND STAGE REVIEWS.

7. GIVEN HAKIM'S WISH RETURN VIA PACIFIC, HOW SHOULD WE
WRITE INITIAL TICKET?
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